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SUMMARY: IN STATEMENTS BY BELGIUM, USSR, GDR, AUSTRALIA, INDIA,
SENEGAL, CUBA, ARGENTINA, AND NIGERIA, MOST SIGNIFICANT ELEMENT
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WAS EXTENDED NIGERIAN DENUNCIATION OF SOUTH AFRICA AND CALL FOR

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REJECTION OF SOUTH AFRICAN CREDENTIALS, FOR THEIR EXCLUSION FROM BOARD, AND BOARD EXAMINATION OF SOUTH AFRICAN MEMBERSHIP IN THE AGENCY. (SEE SEPTEL) END SUMMARY.

1. BELGIAN DEL (HOUARD) SAID NPT AND SAFEGUARDS WERE ACCEPTED AS STEP TOWARD DISARMAMENT AND NUCLEAR DEMOCRATIZATION WHICH MUST NOT ULTIMATELY ALLOW A PRIVILEGED POSITION FOR NUCLEAR WEAPON STATES. HE SUPPORTED FULL FUEL CYCLE SAFEGUARDS, AND CONCEPT OF REGIONAL FUEL CYCLE CENTERS, THOUGH FELT NPT PARTIES SHOULD BE ABLE TO HAVE ANY NECESSARY FACILITIES.

2. SOVIET DEL (MOROKHOV) READ MESSAGE FROM KOSYGIN EMPHASIZING IMPORTANCE OF ARMS CONTROL AND NEED FOR MORE EFFECTIVE NON-PROLIFERATION MEASURES. MOROKHOV REFERRED POSITIVELY TO US-SOVIET PNE TREATY AND TO NUCLEAR WEAPONS ACCIDENTS AGREEMENT WITH FRANCE, WELCOMED RECENT NPT ADHERENCES, URGED ALL TO BECOME PARTIES, AND NOTED SPECIAL RESPONSIBILITIES OF EXPORTERS. HE SAID USSR USES STRICTEST EXPORT STANDARDS, AND NOTED IMPORTANCE OF FULL SAFEGUARDS IN RECIPIENT STATES. HE SAID REPROCESSING IS CAUSE FOR CONCERN, AND THAT USSR SUPPORTS REGIONAL FUEL CYCLE CENTER STUDIES. HE CALLED FOR CTB, WHICH SHOULD BE ACCEPTED BY ALL NWS. MOROKHOV SAID A NUMBER OF POSSIBLE IMPORTANT PNE APPLI-CATIONS HAD BEEN DEFINED, NOTED IMPORTANCE OF US/SOVIET PNE AGREEMENT AND SAID THE IAEA MIGHT FOLLOW THIS EXAMPLE FOR PNE TREATMENT. HE RECOUNTED PROGRESS OF PEACEFUL NUCLEAR PROGRAM IN USSR, AND SUPPORTED IAEA PROGRAM. RE SAFEGUARDS, HE NOTED NEED FOR INDEPENDENT VERIFICATION, AND FOR EXERCISE OF IAEA RIGHTS TO ADEQUATE PRESENCE, ASKED FOR EARLY IMPLEMENTATION OF IAEA/EURATOM AGREEMENT, AND REFERRED TO NEED FOR ADJUSTING SAFEGUARDS MEASURES TO SENSITIVITY OF MATERIAL. MOROKHOV RECOUNTED COOPERA-TIVE EXPERIMENTAL SAFEGUARDS WORK DONE WITH IAEA AT NOVOVORONEZH REACTOR AND ANNOUNCED CONTRIBUTION OF 250,000 RUBLES TO ASSIST IAEA SAFEGUARDS DEVELOPMENT AND TRAINING AT NOVOVORONEZH. HE SAID USSR SUPPORTS TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AND WILL INCREASE ITS CONTRIBUTION TO ALLOW PURCHASE OF SOVIET EQUIPMENT, PRIMARILY FOR NPT PARTIES.

3. AUSTRALIAN DEL (GEORGE) SAID THE IAEA CAN CONTRIBUTE TO UNDERSTANDING OF PROBLEMS OF NUCLEAR POWER, REFERRING TO AUSTRALIAN ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW. HE LOOKED TO IAEA FOR CONTRIBUTION TO CONFER-
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ENCE ON TRANSFER OF TECHNOLOGY TO BE HELD IN IRAN. RE SAFEGUARDS, GEORGE NOTED DG'S STATEMENT THAT SAFEGUARDS CANNOT PREVENT DIVERSION. HE SAID CONFIDENCE THAT COMMITMENTS ARE HONORED IS A CORNERSTONE OF NUCLEAR COOPERATION, NOTED THAT INSPECTION RESULTS ARE NOT AVAILABLE, AND ASKED FOR CONSIDERATION OF AN AUDIT AR-RANGEMENT. AUSTRALIA DOES NOT AGREE WE ARE NEAR THE END OF NPT LINE, AND SUPPORTS EFFORTS TO STRENGTHEN SAFEGUARDS CONDITIONS ON EXPORTS.

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4. INDIAN DEL (SETHNA), GENERALLY SUPPORTING IAEA PROGRAM NOTED PROGRESS ON REGIONAL FUEL CYCLE CENTER STUDY AND EXPRESSED INDIAN SUPPORT, BUT ALSO NOTED COMPLEX LEGAL AND TECHNO-POLITICAL CONSIDERATIONS. SAID GROWING INTEREST OF MEMBER STATES IN PNES CLEAR IN PNE AD HOC GROUP, WHICH HAS BROUGHT OUT THE POTENTIAL BENEFITS WHICH ARE IGNORED IN SOME QUARTERS FOR EXTRANEOUS CONSIDERATIONS. HE SUPPORTED TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AND VIEWED WITH CONCERN TENDENCIES OF SOME ADVANCED STATES TO APPLY RESTRICTIVE OR DISCRIMINATORY POLICIES.

HE SAID SAFEGUARDS SHOULD BE EXERCISED STRICTLY ACCORDING TO STATUTE, NOTED GROWING NEED FOR NUCLEAR POWER AND REGIONAL OR INTERNATIONAL SOLUTIONS TO SOME PROBLEMS (E.G. WASTE), AND SAID INTRODUCTION OF NEW CONCEPTS INTO SAFEGUARDS SYSTEM SHOULD NOT CONSTRAIN NUCLEAR POWER OR IMPOSE NEW RESTRICTIONS ON THE MEMBERSHIP OF IAEA. SETHNA RECOUNTED INDIAN NUCLEAR PROGRAM AND SAID PROBLEMS ARE BEING OVERCOME WITH INDIGENOUS RESOURCES. THE TARAPUR REPROCESSING PLANT IS UNDER COMMISSIONING RUNS AND COST OF REPROCESSING AND WASTE HANDLING WILL BE LESS THAN THREE-QUARTERS OF COMMERCIAL AVAILABLE SERVICES. SETHNA DENIED REPORTS OF RADIOACTIVE DISCHARGES FROM AN INDIAN INSTALLATION, AND DETAILED INDIAN WASTE HANDLING PROGRAM.

5. DEL OF SENEGAL (CISSE) IN MODERATE AND CONSTRUCTIVE STATEMENT, ASKED FOR INCREASED TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE IN FOOD AND AGRICULTURE AREAS. HE SAID ALL NUCLEAR SUPPLY MUST BE UNDER SAFEGUARDS, AND WELCOMED FACT OF 100 NPT PARTIES. HE ASKED IAEA TO EXPAND WORK IN NON-NUCLEAR ENERGY TECHNOLOGIES SUCH AS SOLAR.

6. CUBAN DEL (SAENZ SANCHEZ) GAVE SPEECH REPLETE WITH REFERENCES TO CONNIVING FORCES OF IMPERIALISM, AND PROGRESS OF CUBAN SOCIETY. HE DENOUNCED SCIENTISTS WHO CREATE THREATS SUCH AS CHEMICAL WEAPONS, NOTED DANGER OF SALES OF FULL NUCLEAR FUEL CYCLE TO UNCLASSIFIED

ALLIES OF IMPERIALISM, SAID NEO-COLONIALIST RELATIONSHIPS MUST BE ELIMINATED TO PROPERLY DEVELOP NUCLEAR POWER, AND ASKED FOR AN INTERNATIONAL CODE OF CONDUCT ON TRANSFER OF TECHNOLOGY, INCLUDING NUCLEAR.

7. ARGENTINE DEL (CASTRO MADERO) RECOUNTED PROGRESS OF THEIR NUCLEAR PROGRAM AND SAID THEY WILL NEVER AGAIN NEED TO BUY A TURNKEY REACTOR. HE SAID THAT GIVEN THEIR CHOSEN REACTOR TYPE, REPROCESSING IS NOT NECESSARY NOW, BUT THAT BY YEAR 2000 SPENT FUEL WILL CONTAIN MUCH MATERIAL: THEREFORE ARGENTINA HAS TAKEN STEPS TO ACQUIRE THE TECHNOLOGY. HE RECOGNIZED THE HIGH PURPOSE OF EXPORTERS GROUP, BUT APPEALED THAT ITS ACTIONS NOT VIOLATE SOVEREIGN RIGHTS.

8. NIGERIAN DEL (ADENIJI) DELIVERED STATEMENT, LARGELY DEVOTED TO

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SOUTH AFRICA, COVERED SEPTEL. HE SAID SAFEGUARDS AGREEMENT WITH SOUTH AFRICA SHOULD HAVE BEEN REJECTED TO KEEP IAEA FROM BEING PARTY TO NUCLEAR BLACKMAIL AND GENOCIDE. IN ADDITION, HE SAID IAEA SHOULD KEEP IN TOUCH WITH NATIONAL LIBERATION MOVEMENTS, THAT IAEA PROJECTS IMAGE OF PRIVATE CLUB, AND THAT THERE SHOULD BE PHENOMENAL INCREASE IN TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE. HE CALLED FOR ADMISSION AS OBSERVER OF ALL NATIONAL LIBERATION MOVEMENTS RECOGNIZED BY OTHER INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS, IN ORDER TO BRING AGENCY UP-TO-DATE WITH SPIRIT OF THE TIMES.
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